

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Jan 16th:** Public  
Information Of-  
ficer Training

**Jan. 29th &  
30th:** Mass  
Prophylaxis  
Training

**Feb. 16th:** NBA  
All-Stars EOC  
Activation

**May 31st:** Pre-  
Hurricane Season  
Training

**CONTACT SARAH  
BABCOCK FOR  
DETAILS**

## ORIENTATION DATES

If you have not gone  
through orientation,  
please join us at 400  
N. Jefferson Davis  
Parkway from 9 a.m.-  
11 a.m. any of the  
following days:

**Jan. 25h  
Mar. 15th  
Apr. 12th  
May 17th**

## Happy New Year!

2014 is off to a fantastic start!  
Last Friday, Sarah Babcock hosted  
the NOMRC Kick-Off Party at  
her house. Seven NOMRC mem-  
bers attended and had fun while  
brainstorming some ideas for  
2014. Here are a few of the fo-  
cuses we have for the NOMRC  
in 2014:

- ◆ Outreach to at-risk popula-  
tions
- ◆ Providing helpful training for  
NOMRC members
- ◆ Expanding the NOMRC
- ◆ Assisting the New Orleans  
Health Department in apply-  
ing for Project Public Health  
Ready
- ◆ Improving communication  
with MRC members



Charlotte Parent and Sarah Babcock worked with  
MRC members and Health Department staff to set  
up and run a shelter for 17 homeless people dur-  
ing the Polar Vortex earlier this month.

## MRC & NOHD Ran a Shelter

During the cold temperatures last week, 3 New  
Orleans Health Department staff and 4 MRC  
members ran a freeze shelter at Allie Mae Wil-  
liams Center for 17 homeless people overnight.  
Firefighters and police were present to ensure  
safety.

## NOMRC Awarded \$20,000 for Outreach

NOMRC applied to the  
National Association of  
County and City Health  
Officials (NACCHO) for a  
grant to fund outreach to  
at-risk populations. In De-  
cember, 2013, NACCHO  
awarded \$20,000 grants to  
29 of the 200 local MRCs

who applied. NOMRC is  
proud to say it is one of  
the recipients of the grant.  
The grant is to fund:

- Development of con-  
sistent and accurate  
emergency preparedness  
information for at-risk  
populations

- Working with local  
agencies serving at-risk  
populations to deliver  
emergency prepared-  
ness messages to their  
clients.



## NEW ORLEANS

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## We Need Your Help

We have a lot of ideas for this year and would really like your input as we develop plans. Please let Sarah or Frieda know if you are interested in helping with any of the following:

- Assisting with strategic planning
- Doing weekend outreach events
- Developing an outreach plan
- Learning how to work in the Emergency Operations Center
- Helping the Health Department apply for Project Public Health Ready
- Developing trainings for MRC members

[nola.gov/health/emergency-preparedness.gov](http://nola.gov/health/emergency-preparedness.gov)

## Flu Shots at NOLA for Life



MRC members Jeanne and Joel came out last Saturday to Central City to give out 44 flu shots with the Health Department at the NOLA 4 Life celebration. Thank you!

## 2013 in Review

- Jeanne Krieger volunteered the most hours last year (a total of 18 hours)
- With the help of MRC members, 500 new registrants were enrolled in the New Orleans Special Needs Registry
- NOMRC gained 28 members after being reactivated in April 2013
- NOMRC was activated for Tropical Storm Karen
- Members assisted with the Health Department's Points of Dispensing exercise in December